

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
SUGAWARA KAZUHIRO ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/888,547)
Filed: June 26, 2001)
For: IMAGE COMMUNICATION)
APPARATUS, IMAGE)
COMMUNICATION METHOD, AND)
MEMORY MEDIUM : July 31, 2007
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Examiner: Q.N. Nguyen
TC/Art Unit: 2141
Conf. No.: 9436

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND REQUEST FOR PERSONAL INTERVIEW

Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination has been submitted concurrently herewith. Prior to continued examination, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows, and to consider the remarks made herein. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 11.

After entry of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and Preliminary Amendment (Submission Under 37 CFR 1.114(c)) filed herewith to withdraw the finality of the previous Office Action, Applicants request a personal interview with the Examiner. One of Applicants' attorneys will contact the Examiner shortly to arrange a mutually convenient time for such an interview.